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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the House of Representatives of the
3 State of Illinois wish to congratulate State Representative
4 Kurt Granberg on his retirement after 22 years of service in
5 the House; and

6 WHEREAS, Kurt Granberg was first elected to the Illinois
7 House of Representatives in 1986; he was appointed House Floor
8 Leader in 1992, was named Assistant Democratic Leader in 1994
9 and Assistant Majority Leader in 1997; and

10 WHEREAS, Representative Granberg has been a tireless
11 advocate for 107th District residents; and

12 WHEREAS, Along with Representative Granberg's work to
13 bring a coal gasification plant to Southern Illinois, showing
14 his commitment to improving the region's economy and his
15 determination to create jobs in Illinois, the Carlyle Democrat
16 also helped create the Southeastern Illinois Economic
17 Development Authority (SIEDA), a \$250 million dollar economic
18 engine that helps with investment and job creation in the
19 region; and

20 WHEREAS, Representative Granberg is known throughout the
21 Capitol as a fighter for working men and women; in 2005

1 Representative Granberg served as a lead negotiator to reform
2 the outdated workers' compensation system, ensuring that both
3 employers and employees are treated fairly, reducing fraud and
4 improving benefits; and

5 WHEREAS, Representative Granberg consistently carried the
6 voices of those who needed help to the State Capitol; he helped
7 secure State funding for the Amy Center, a child advocacy
8 center for those who have been abused; and

9 WHEREAS, State Representative Kurt Granberg has served his
10 constituents with distinction and will be missed by his
11 colleagues; therefore, be it

12 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
13 NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
14 congratulate Kurt Granberg on his retirement from the Illinois
15 House of Representatives; and be it further

16 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
17 presented to State Representative Kurt Granberg as a token of
18 our respect and esteem and with our best wishes for his future
19 success.